



SR1660

LRB099 21113 MST 46343 r

1

SENATE RESOLUTION

2

WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate are saddened to learn of the death of Bernard Charles "Bernie" Stonich of Plainfield, who passed away on March 10, 2016; and

3

4

5

WHEREAS, Bernard Stonich was born in Joliet to Joseph and Justine (Kracker) Stonich on August 28, 1924; he graduated from Joliet Township High School and served in the United States Navy during World War II aboard the aircraft carrier USS Saginaw Bay in the South Pacific; and

6

7

8

9

10

WHEREAS, Bernard Stonich had a long career as a salesman, eventually retiring from Illinois Wine and Spirits; and

11

12

WHEREAS, Bernard Stonich dedicated his life to veterans and their needs; he was a member and former Commander of the Plainfield American Legion Marne Post #13, member and former Commander of Cantigny Veterans of Foreign Wars Post #367, where he served many years as the Service Officer; he was the recipient of numerous awards and was recognized for his service to veterans and their families; many veterans will remember him for providing them transportation to and from Hines Veterans Administration Hospital; he was also active in the Associated Clubs of Greater Joliet and St. Mary Nativity Parish; and

13

14

15

16

17

18

19

20

21

1 WHEREAS, Bernard Stonich was preceded in death by his
2 parents and his nine brothers and sisters; and

3 WHEREAS, Bernard Stonich is survived by his wife of 69
4 years, Shirley M. (Pubentz); his children, Deborah (Jack)
5 McInerney and Duane (Robin) Stonich; his four grandchildren,
6 Brock (Jennifer) Stonich, Brent (Samantha) Stonich, Cara
7 McInerney, and Megan McInerney; and many nieces and nephews;
8 therefore, be it

9 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-NINTH GENERAL
10 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of
11 Bernard Charles "Bernie" Stonich, and extend our sincere
12 condolences to his family, friends, and all who knew and loved
13 him; and be it further

14 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
15 presented to the family of Bernard Stonich as an expression of
16 our deepest sympathy.